

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/027,311

Examiner

John P Trimmings

Applicant(s)

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to amendment of 7/15/2004.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-22.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 7/15/2004 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

Greg J. Lamarre
Primary Examiner

DETAILED ACTION

This action is in response to applicant's amendment dated 7/15/2004.

Claims 1, 3-5, 10, 15-17 and 19-21 have been amended by the applicant.

New Claim 22 has been added.

Claims 1-22 are pending.

Response to Amendment

1. In view of applicant's changes to the Disclosure, the examiner's objections are withdrawn, and the changes are approved.
2. In view of the applicant's replacement of the Drawings with new, the examiner's objections are withdrawn, and the new set of drawings is approved.
3. In view of the applicant's amendment to Claims 1, 4, 5, 15 and 19-21, the examiner's objections to said claims are withdrawn.
4. In view of the applicant's amendment to Claims 1, 3-5, 10, 15-17 and 19-21, applicant's arguments, see amendment, filed 7/15/2004, with respect to Claims 1-21 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The examiner's rejections to Claims 1-21 under 35 USC 112, 102 and 103 are withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art of Bodoni et al., Kraus et al., and Komachuk et al. teaches a memory test circuit comprising a collar coupled to a test controller, the collar coupling a memory to addresses and data that is switch-able between external and internal

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collar sources. However, the prior arts of record taken alone, or in combination failed to teach, anticipate, suggest, or render obvious the claimed invention or the method steps of the application. Specifically, the prior arts failed to teach, anticipate, suggest, or render obvious the limitation introduced into Claims 1, 4, 5, 15, 19 and 20, namely: control lines between the collar and controller number 7 only. And consequently, since Claims 2, 3, 6-14, 16-18 and 21-22 are dependent on Claims 1, 4, 5, 15, 19 and 20, Claims 1-22 are allowed.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John P Trimmings whose telephone number is (703) 272-3830. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday, 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Albert DeCady can be reached on (703) 272-3819. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

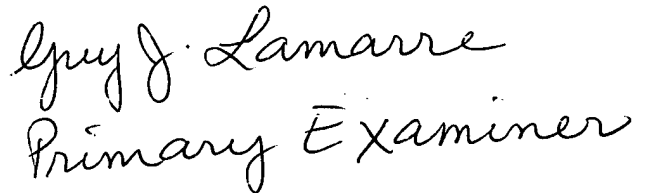
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